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**Pending cases with NIIRC**

1880. SHRI CHO S. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of cases reported to the NHRC during the last three years;

(b) how many cases are taken up for study during each year;

(c) how many human rights violators have been punished; and

(d) what steps are being taken to give more powers to NIIRC for quick disposal of the cases reported to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) The total number of cases registered in the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) during the years 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 are 40724, 50634 and 71559 respectively.

(b) The total number of cases considered in the NHRC during the years 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 are 53711, 47819 and 60287 respectively.

(c) The total number of cases where orders for compensation, prosecution and disciplinary proceedings have been made against the erring persons during the last three years are given below:—

Year	Compensation	Prosecution	Disciplinary Proceeding
1998-99	45	22	6
1999-2000	231	117	42
2000-2001	127	47	9

(d) Under the provisions of the Protection of Human Rights Act 1993, the procedure laid down for inquiring into complaints is sufficiently flexible to allow the Commission to dispose off cases referred to it expeditiously.